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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

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1-18. (Canceled)

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19. (Previously Presented) A composition suitable for pharmaceutical, cosmetic or dermatological usage, said composition comprising:

an amount of at least one agent sufficient to elicit an irritant side-effect to a user when utilized in a composition that does not include a TNF-alpha antagonist, and wherein said irritant agent is an active agent in said composition;

an amount of at least one TNF-alpha antagonist sufficient to eliminate or alleviate said irritant side-effect; and

a cosmetically, dermatologically or pharmaceutically acceptable medium therefor wherein the agent which provides the irritant side-effect is selected from the group consisting of alpha-keto acids, beta-keto acids, retinoids, anthralins, anthranoids, peroxides, minoxidil, lithium salts, antimetabolites, vitamin D and depigmentation agents.

*9*  
20. (Previously Presented) A composition suitable for pharmaceutical, cosmetic or dermatological usage, said composition comprising:

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an amount of at least one agent sufficient to elicit an irritant side-effect to a user when utilized in a composition that does not include an interleukin-1 antagonist or a TNF-alpha antagonist, and wherein said irritant agent is an active agent in said composition;

an amount of at least one interleukin-1 antagonist and at least one TNF-alpha antagonist, sufficient to eliminate or alleviate said irritant side-effect; and  
a cosmetically, dermatologically or pharmaceutically acceptable medium therefor.

21-22. (Canceled)

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~~23.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>1</sup>~~19~~, further comprising at least one histamine antagonist.

<sup>3</sup>  
~~24.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>2</sup>~~23~~, wherein the histamine antagonist is a heterocycle or a nitrogen compound having at least one benzene ring.

<sup>4</sup>  
~~25.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>1</sup>~~19~~, wherein the amount of the compound ranges from about 0.000001 to 5% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

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<sup>5</sup>  
~~26~~. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>1</sup>~~19~~, wherein the amount of the compound ranges from about 0.0001 to 0.1 % by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

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<sup>6</sup>  
~~27~~. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>1</sup>~~19~~, wherein the cosmetically, pharmaceutically, or dermatologically acceptable medium comprises an aqueous, oil or aqueous alcoholic solution, a water-in-oil emulsion, an oil-in-water emulsion, a microemulsion, an aqueous gel, an anhydrous gel, a serum, or a dispersion of vesicles, microcapsules or microparticles.

<sup>7</sup>  
~~28~~. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>1</sup>~~19~~, further comprising at least one active agent selected from the group consisting of anti-bacterial, antiparasitic, antifungal, anti-inflammatory, antipruriginous, anesthetic, antiviral, keratolytic, free-radical scavenging, antiseborrheic, antidandruff and anti-acne agents and/or agents which modulate the differentiation and/or the proliferation and/or the pigmentation of skin.

<sup>8</sup>  
~~29~~. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>7</sup>~~28~~, wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of lidocaine hydrochloride, antiparasitic agents and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agents.

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*10*  
~~30.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim *9* ~~20~~, wherein the agent which produces an irritant side-effect is selected from the group consisting of alpha-hydroxy acids, beta-hydroxy acids, alpha-keto acids, beta-keto acids, retinoids, anthralins, anthranoids, peroxides, minoxidil, lithium salts, antimetabolites, vitamin D and depigmentation agents.

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~~31.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim *9* ~~20~~, further comprising at least one histamine antagonist.

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~~32.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim *11* ~~31~~, wherein the histamine antagonist is a heterocycle or a nitrogen compound having at least one benzene ring.

*13*  
~~33.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim *9* ~~20~~, wherein the amount of the compound ranges from about 0.000001 to 5% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

*14*  
~~34.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim *9* ~~20~~, wherein the amount of the compound ranges from about 0.0001 to 0.1% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

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<sup>15</sup>  
~~35.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>9</sup>~~20~~, wherein the cosmetically, pharmaceutically, or dermatologically acceptable medium comprises an aqueous, oil or aqueous alcoholic solution, a water-in-oil emulsion, an oil-in-water emulsion, a microemulsion, an aqueous gel, an anhydrous gel, a serum, or a dispersion of vesicles, microcapsules or microparticles.

<sup>16</sup>  
~~36.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>9</sup>~~20~~, further comprising at least one active agent selected from the group consisting of anti-bacterial, antiparasitic, antifungal, anti-inflammatory, antipruriginous, anesthetic, antiviral, keratolytic, free-radical scavenging, antiseborrheic, antidandruff and anti-acne agents and/or agents which modulate the differentiation and/or the proliferation and/or the pigmentation of skin.

<sup>17</sup>  
~~37.~~ (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim <sup>16</sup>~~36~~, wherein the active agent is selected from the group consisting of lidocaine hydrochloride, antiparasitic agents and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agents.

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